

MEXICO MISSOURI MESSAGE.

TO INCORPORATE.

Mexico Chautauqua Organization to Be Permanent.

At a mass meeting of citizens held at the Mexico court house last Thursday night it was resolved to form a permanent Chautauqua assembly for Mexico.

Mayor E. D. Graham called the meeting to order and introduced George Robertson as temporary chairman. Walter Pollock was chosen temporary secretary.

Mr. Robertson explained the object of the meeting. A number of others made talks and all agreed that Mexico needed the Chautauqua and could have it if the citizen would interest themselves and volunteer their help.

A motion was offered, and enthusiastically adopted, to form a permanent organization and to incorporate with a capital stock of \$3,000. The shares were put at \$10 each. Seventeen shares were subscribed for at the meeting and were taken as rapidly as the secretary could get the names down.

Two committees were appointed—a ways and means committee and a subscription committee.

The chair appointed the following on the ways and means committee: Mrs. N. R. Rhodes, Miss Ida Rosamond, Rufus Jackson, Mayor E. D. Graham and Rev. Walter M. White.

Later the chair announced the following committee on subscriptions:

Group 1—W. H. Morris, W. F. Atkinson, Miss Grace McIntire, Mrs. J. H. Lane, Mrs. J. E. Durkee.

Group 2—W. W. Pollock, Dr. R. T. Gibbs, L. M. White, Mrs. E. D. Graham, Miss Julia Arnold.

Group 3—S. M. Locke, C. A. Barnes, Mrs. E. R. Locke, A. B. Smith, Mrs. Jno. A. Guthrie.

Group 4—Mrs. J. T. Johnson, Rev. Walter M. White, Ross Cauthorn, Mrs. M. L. Jones, Miss Nellie Hill.

Group 5—S. P. Emmons, J. W. Dry, R. D. Worrell, Mrs. James C. Mundy, Mrs. W. R. Rhodes.

Group 6—Rev. C. M. Aker, Mrs. Lee B. Hawthorne, Frank Dudley, Dr. Walter Reed, Miss Kota Luckie.

Group 7—J. W. Million, C. A. Buckner, C. M. Clay, Miss Emma McPheeters and Mrs. Minnie Bass-Davis.

It is understood that the Mexico organization is to articulate or is to be under the auspices of the regular Chautauqua system, as such assemblies are held in a few other places in this State and in Illinois and over the Eastern States. One such organization can not be formed within 75 miles of another such organization. The Mexico assembly will be the only one of the true class in Northeast Missouri.

It is proposed to make the Mexico Chautauqua a go. In a few years it is hoped the corporation will own its grounds; will have a pavilion and a large lake—will be the Pertle Springs of this section of the State.

It is going to take wise management to accomplish all this, but it can be done if the good people of Mexico will put their hands rightily to the task.

At a meeting of the ways and means committee at the Southern Bank Monday morning further plans were adopted in the interest of the Chautauqua. The capital stock was raised from \$3,000 to \$5,000 and the cost of shares reduced from \$10 to \$5. It is thought that this will interest more people in the movement. Another action was taken favoring the purchase of a permanent site for the Chautauqua.

Arrangements for next year's program are to begin at once, also.

That's the way to do it; begin the advertising of the program in time, and then keep everlastingly at it.

Licensed to Marry.

W. L. Maddox and Mabel Moore, of Callaway county.

Verdell Oliver of Columbia and Cordelia Woolery, of Auxvasse.

James Lewelly Dead.

James W. Lewellen, a prominent stockman of near Vandalia, died last Saturday morning. He had been in failing health for several years.

Deceased was born near Spencerburg, Pike county, 45 years ago. The editor of the MESSAGE kept school one winter at the McCune school house at which James Lewellen was a pupil, and we boarded with him and his mother, Mrs. Wm. Lewellen. Jim was a good boy. After his school days were finished he went out to the Vandalia prairie and engaged in farming and stock raising. In his short career, by undaunted courage and hard licks, he had accumulated considerable property. A wife and three children survive him. The funeral was held in Vandalia Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. John Brooks has been quite sick for a week or more.

Miss Ruth Mason is visiting her brother, Elliott Mason, at Pittsburgh, Pa.

Miss Rena Rouse entertained Miss Lena Langvan of Sturgeon last week.

Thomas Barry, south of Benton City, sold his lambs to Johnson and Roman at \$5.

Mrs. George Keith, south of Benton City, while visiting friends at Frankford took down sick.

C. C. Frazier and family of this city have been entertaining Mrs. A. J. Parks of North Dakota.

Rev. C. A. Mitchell of this city closed a very successful revival meeting at Guthrie, Mo., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Boone of Thompson are rejoicing over the arrival of a new daughter in their home.

Mrs. Ella Green and two children of Mexico visited Mrs. Green's nephew, Price Braustetter, at Farber, last week.

Mrs. J. W. Smith, southeast of Mexico, and mother, Mrs. Nannie Smith, enjoyed a visit with friends in St. Louis last week.

Frank Cooper, colored, is in the Mexico jail under charge of stealing an overcoat from Oscar Canterbury. Cooper has written a letter to Judge Barnett at Montgomery City asking that he be sent to State prison for two years. He says he thinks a year or two in prison might cure him of the liquor habit, with which he is afflicted.

The Forum says that it may not be true, but a little bird tells it that a Farber young couple was strolling along the street the other evening; it was moonlight, but they were on the shady side of the street, and she was heard to sigh and say she wished a certain teeny, weeny star twinkling way up in the sky was a diamond and she had kissed the Blarney Stone. Then the youth replied, "Wouldn't anything but the Blarney Stone do?" And from the sound that followed it was evident that she decided that all Blarney Stones are not in Ireland.

The ladies of Trinity Methodist church, northwest of Mexico, will give an ice cream social tonight at the home of Harry Householder for the benefit of the church.

GOW'S TRIAL

The Church Will Handle His Case This Month.

The Hannibal Courier-Post prints the following regarding the coming church trial of the Rev. C. W. Gow, whose trial in the civil court is to come up in Mexico next January:

Rev. John Anderson, pastor of the Arch street Methodist church, has been appointed by Bishop B. C. Morrison of Birmingham, Ala., to prosecute Rev. Clyde W. Gow, whose church trial is to be held in Hannibal during August. Rev. J. A. Mumpower, pastor of the Methodist church at Troy, will defend Rev. Gow and the case promises to be an interesting one.

Bishop Morrison, who will preside over the Missouri conference M. E. church, has the reputation of possessing fine executive ability and is of considerable eloquence as a preacher. He will have charge of the arrangements of the trial of Rev. Gow.

A trial at conference is a serious thing. In a civil proceeding a man may escape on a technicality of the law, but in a church trial conducted under the auspices of a keen-eyed bishop, the accused must prove his innocence beyond the shadow of a doubt to warrant a re-establishment of his clerical relations.

The sessions of the ecclesiastical court are not public; not even the members of the conference save those connected with the trial are permitted to know what is going on. The details do not reach the press from the star chamber of the church.

"The charges are sustained."

"The charges are not sustained."

Those are the two forms of the findings and about all the public is allowed to know.

Killed By Lightning.

The Farber Forum last week contained the following item: A peculiar accident happened four miles north of Vandalia Friday afternoon. While the Gray Bros. were threshing for Mr. Dowell lightning killed a mule for Chas. Inlow. Mr. Inlow was in the wagon when the bolt came, holding the team. One of the animals was killed outright and the other stunned. A dog under the wagon was also killed. A horse tied to the fence a short distance away was killed about the same time belonging to Lisha Dowell.

Miss Rosalee Hamilton returned to her home in Middletown last week after a visit to the family of T. T. Torley of this city.

E. O. Edson of near Laddonia took charge of the Clarkson Hotel in this city last week which he purchased two or three months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Clark and little daughter of LaGrange, Ill., are visiting Mrs. Clark's parents here, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Kent. Mrs. Kent will likely return home with them for a visit latter part of this week.

The Perry Enterprise said last week: Robt. Kerr, wife and children, of near Molino, spent Monday with the former's brother, Rev. Kerr and family, of this city. Mr. Kerr is figuring on building a nice residence.

B. C. Forbert, formerly of Rush Hill, this county, who is now located at Los Angeles, California, is prospering in the West. He is a stockholder in the Wallace Lindsaith Hosiery Co. of his city, which is doing a large business, and he was recently elected president of said company.

COUNTY MEETING.

Horticulturalists and Beekeepers Association.

The Audrain County Horticulturalists and Beekeepers Association held a very profitable meeting at the Mexico court house last Monday afternoon.

W. S. Haggard discussed "When and How to Plant Strawberries." Plant strawberries last week in March or first week in April. Thoroughly prepare the ground. Never quit cultivating. You should think too much of your strawberries to allow them to associate with weeds. Never allow a crust of dirt to remain around plants. Don't let plants set too close on runners. Mulch in the fall, not to keep the ground from freezing but to keep it frozen late in spring.

J. W. Atkins inquired what varieties to plant. The Grandy for a late variety and the Excelsior for early use. Plant the Crescent for regular crop, but don't set Crescent alone, plant some other variety with it for best yields.

Miss Stella Black read a very interesting and instructive paper on "Floriculture, How to Beautify the Home." This paper will appear in full in the MESSAGE at a later date.

James Metcalf made a short address on "How to Prune Grapes and Manage Fruit for Home Use." He presented some good thoughts and advocated trimming your grape vines at the right seasons—trim 'em hard.

J. W. Rouse talked on the subject, "Bee Culture for Profit." He disparaged the use of the old box, or gum, in which to hive bees. It is not handy, is a breeder of disease and never a success. You must study the bee business and give your bees attention if you would make them a money getter. From 27 or 28 colonies this season he had already taken out about 1600 pounds of extract honey.

M. E. Darby of Springfield, Mo., State Bee Inspector, followed the address of Mr. Rouse. He talked about the relation of bees to horticulture—the relation is closer than the unthinking think. No bees and there could be no flowers or fruit. He discussed the "foul brood" disease among bees. The cause is a small worm, not a moth, and it kills the larvae. You can detect it in your hive by a disagreeable smell when the hive is opened. Change the colony to a new hive, and burn the contents of the old hive, is the only remedy.

Mr. Boyd of LaPlata in a short talk said that he had been handling bees for 40 years, but only in the past few years had he known anything about them. He now makes the business a study and is reaping paying results.

There were other points brought out on different phases of the subjects of horticulture and beekeeping which we did not catch. Every farmer in the county should have been present. He would have profited thereby.

Mrs. Ben Ogden of St. Louis, Mrs. P. R. Rowland and Miss Stella Black delighted the meeting with vocal and instrumental music at different intervals. A resolution was adopted thanking the ladies for the music and for their presence.

The next meeting of the organization will be in October, and Noble Barnes offered a resolution that the members arrange for a fruit and flower show at that time. The resolution was enthusiastically endorsed, so look out for something fine when the next meeting of the Audrain County Horticultural and Beekeepers Association is held.

G. W. Day and wife of Laddonia visited Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Neely of Mexico last week.

RICHARD P. MOORE KILLED.

Thrown From His Wagon by a Runaway Team.

Richard P. Moore, a prominent stockman and farmer living just south of Mexico, was thrown from his wagon last Monday morning while driving into town. He had started from home with a hog in his wagon and it seems that after he had gotten on the way the team scared and ran away. The vehicle struck a telephone pole, tearing off one wheel of the wagon, throwing Mr. Moore out on his head. He was found a short time after by one of his sons. No one saw the accident and it is not definitely settled just how it happened.

Deceased was 52 years of age and leaves a wife and two sons, Richard and Edward. Mrs. Moore before her marriage was Miss Mollie Stuart, daughter of the late Wm. Stuart.

The funeral was conducted from the home Tuesday afternoon by Rev. A. A. Wallace, assisted by Rev. W. M. White; interment in Mexico cemetery.

Mr. Moore was a man highly esteemed by all who knew him. He was a great horse fancier and was the owner of the famous equines Ike and Ike Pennington.

Misses Eula and Winnie Gibbs are visiting friends in Montgomery county.

Frank Zanner of Chicago has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Harper here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Ware of Bean Creek are entertaining their son, Lon Ware, and wife of Chicago.

The members of the fire department have received new helmets, which they will wear for protection in fighting fires.

Lightning struck the McIntyre dwelling, just west of the postoffice, during the heavy rainfall last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. J. J. Browning and little sons of Paris are spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. McCue of Molino.

M. H. McCue of Molino had a 1300 lb. steer killed by lightning Saturday afternoon, and G. A. Wilson had a fine rick of hay burned.

Lightning struck the barn at the Military Academy last Friday afternoon. The building caught fire, but blaze was discovered in time and put out.

At the Mexico court house last Friday afternoon Judge W. W. Botts united in marriage Mr. W. L. Maddox and Miss Mabel Moore, both of Callaway county.

Stanley Wilson of Molino entertained his little cousins, Bessie Miller of Santa Fe, Albert Henderson of Mexico and Martha Berry of Worcester, the past week.

Miss Grace Collins of Mexico has been visiting Mrs. Frank Lott Martiu, near Martinsburg, also Mrs. Martin's niece, Miss Ruth Newman, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Mrs. Belle Miller, after an extended visit with her sister of this city, Mrs. Ab. Bledsoe, and brother, Mr. W. H. Wallace, returned last week to her home near Molino.

Albert Burgess and John Plybon caught a cat fish under a log in Salt River one day last week which weighed 20 pounds. The boys "floundered" the fish out of the water with their hands.

Elmer Barteo of Moberly, a base ball player, was out hunting last Friday afternoon and in attempting to secure a frog he had killed in a deep pond was drowned. He was well known in Mexico.

SURROUNDING AUDRAIN

J. F. Smith of Wellsville works nights for the Wabash in Mexico.

Peaches are selling on the Paris market, in Monroe county, at \$2.00 per bushel.

Hog cholera is raging in the vicinity of New London. Several farmers have lost numbers of fine porkers.

The Auxvasse Review says that Everett F. Bush of Mexico will open a shoe repairing shop in Auxvasse this week.

Margaret F. Williams died at Gamma a couple of weeks since. Seven brothers survive her; one, G. L. Williams, resides near Laddonia, and a sister, Mrs. M. J. Anderson, lives near Rush Hill.

Lewis Newson, who died on his farm near Dixie, in south Callaway, three weeks ago, at the age of 82 years, was the richest colored man in Callaway county, his estate footing up close to \$10,000.

Slater has a mean citizen. He stole 22 chickens from a preacher—Eld. Tom Henson, formerly of this county. Knowing Eld. Tom's fondness for "yeller leg chickens," he certainly has our sympathy.

A gentleman named Park, located in Hartford township, Pike county, has what is known as the mule-footed breed of hogs. The hoof is just like that of a mule and we suppose the kick would be about the same.

A novel case is in court at Hannibal. A. J. Blickham has sued the C. B. & Q. for melted ice to the amount of \$7,500. An engine of the defendants set fire to the plaintiffs ice house and destroyed it, together with the ice.

The Middletown Chips thus speaks of a gentleman who has relatives at Laddonia and Vandalia this county: Uncle Johnnie Mosby is still slowly improving from his paralytic stroke, and is now able to walk alone, with the aid of his cane. Chips would be glad to see this worthy Christian man fully regain his former health.

We are told that our old friend Rev. W. B. Llewellyn, of Fulton, was visiting the members of his flock in that city the other day, says the Auxvasse Review. At one home he asked of a young hopeful: "Peter, have you been baptized?" "Well, you bet I have, replied the boy, "and it took, too. You ought to see this seab on my arm."

Dogs killed 11 fine sheep recently for H. C. Berry of Long Branch.

Miss Jennie Karnes is at Excelsior Springs for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. W. G. Hatton of St. Louis arrived in this city last week on a visit to relatives.

Mrs. J. W. Davis, mother of Mrs. L. F. Austin of Mexico, is visiting relative at Vandalia.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Clark of Danville, Ind., are visiting H. F. Neely and family of this city.

Mrs. J. R. Gay and daughter, Miss Leona, of St. Louis, are visiting Mrs. Gay's brother of this city, W. R. Sallee.

We are sorry to report that Mr. W. H. Wallace's lameness gets no better. It is nearly impossible for him to get around at all.

Mexico Savings Bank

Capital and Surplus, \$150,000.00

40th Year in Business

W. W. Fry, Pres.
 Sam Locke, Cashier.